GCAC AWARDS \$1,387,582 TO AREA ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

Columbus, Ohio --- The Board of Trustees of the Greater Columbus Arts Council (GCAC) announced at its May 24th meeting the approval of 26 City of Columbus Grants in the programs of Operating Support and Project Support.

Under the GCAC Grants Guidelines, any arts organization of any budget size may qualify for unrestricted funding through the Operating Support program. Applicants must submit audited financial statements as part of the granting process, achieve positive current liquidity, and maintain a working capital reserve. GCAC awarded \$1,256,038 in Operating Support grants to the following 12 organizations:

Organization	Grant Amount
Actors' Theatre Company	\$15,519
BalletMet Columbus	\$175,062
Columbus Children's Theatre	\$71,177
Columbus Museum of Art	\$191,912
Columbus Symphony Orchestra	\$262,081
Friends of Early Music	\$8,618
Jazz Arts Group / Columbus Jazz Orchestra	\$124,432
King Arts Complex	\$100,992
Ohio Art League	\$15,113
Opera Columbus	\$137,230
ProMusica Chamber Orchestra	\$107,960
Thurber House	\$45,942

GCAC's Grants Committee voted to table consideration of the 2005 Operating Support grant to CAPA pending receipt of additional information and funding review.

Project Support grants are defined as grants for special, one-time activities such as public performances or exhibitions. Project Support grants allow GCAC to direct funding to a wide variety of Columbus artists and arts organizations. GCAC awarded \$131,544 in Project Support grants to the following 14 organizations:

Organization / Project Title	Grant Amount
Dance Columbus Dance Theatre / CDT Contemporary Dance Season	\$10,000
Design Arts Columbus Landmarks Foundation / Marketing Audience Develop	ement \$1,000

Multidisciplinary

Wexner Center for the Arts / Reopening Celebration / Theatre Presentations \$26,000

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Chamber Music Columbus / Presenting the Piano in Ensemble & Solo CityMusic / World Music Series Jefferson Academy of Music / Chamber Music Stretches	\$6,444 \$7,100 \$2,000
Theater	
Columbus Children's Theatre / CCT New Works Initiative	\$7,000
Columbus National Gay and Lesbian Theatre Festival / Best of the Fest	\$1,000
MadLab Theatre / Create Your Fate	\$5,000
Phoenix Theatre Circle / The BFG	\$30,000
Visual Arts	
BrickStreet Arts Association / Tete-a-Tete Falls for Goodale Park	\$10,000
Columbus College of Art & Design / Canzani Center Gallery	\$9,000
Friends of the Conservatory / Patrick Dougherty Exhibition	\$15,000
Roy G Biv Gallery / November, December, January programming	\$2,000

The Greater Columbus Arts Council, a not-for-profit organization, encourages and supports cultural development in the Columbus area. In this capacity GCAC provides technical services to artists and arts organizations, acts as the community's voice on arts advocacy issues, and serves as the official agency for City of Columbus grants for the arts. GCAC administers the Columbus Arts Festival, the Business Arts Partnership program, and the Community Arts Education Program consisting of Artists-in-Schools and *Children of the Future*, a public safety project targeted to youth ages 5 - 14.